

THE city council has commenced to wrestle with the subject of a system of sewerage. They will find it a knotty problem to solve, notwithstanding the favorable location of Tombstone for such a system. It so happens that all the ravines and washes around the town debouch into one common canyon or main wash, within which are situated the wells, one of the water supplies of the city, and to allow the sewerage to flow into any one of these will be to pollute this source of supply. A line of pipe can be laid to a point below the wells, and there deliver the matter that otherwise will become a source of contagion and death. By having such a conduit follow down the arroyo south of the city the water that flows from the mills can be picked up and caused to flow through the same pipe, thereby keeping it constantly flushed. With a will there will be found a way out of the difficulties that surround this subject.

THE peace of all Europe is once more endangered. While the poor panicky-stricken emperor of Russia is shut up in his prison palace of Gatchina, his minister to France is at large and free to talk, and talk he does very loudly against the German empire. His speech was to some Servian students in Paris, whom he told, substantially, that Germany stands in the way of Russia's ambition to become the protector of the whole Slav race. These sentiments, uttered as a private citizen, have deeply alarmed all the continental powers, and it is reported that Germany will send the emperor a "mild note" upon the subject. It is possible that the easiest and safest way for the escape of Alexander from his bitter foes at home is to engage in a war with some of his neighbors, and thus distract the attention of the Nihilists from his august person. At all events, a few simple words, uttered by General Skobeleff, has agitated all Europe, and called forth some strong comments from the continental press.

It will be seen from our special correspondence from Cumpas, Sonora, that the "noble red man" has this time taken in a whole town. Nacari is situated ninety miles east of Cumpas and about three hundred miles south of Tombstone, in the heart of the Sierra Madre. It is said to be a small place, and the people poor and ill armed, therefore it fell an easy prey to the Apaches. It is doubtful if many of the people would escape, as the couriers had had ninety miles to ride to give notice of the attack, and then to get troops on a war footing and move them to the scene of combat would take at least two or three days more time, within which the savages would have ample opportunity to finish their butchery. From the heretofore noted disposition of the Mexican forces, there is small probability that the renegades will push further west than they now are; on the contrary, they will probably be forced further into the Sierras toward Chihuahua.

THE Prescott Courier works itself into a fearful frenzy over an article that appeared in the San Francisco Post concerning affairs in Arizona, wherein its ideal general comes in for a share of criticism. The charges preferred by Gen. Willcox against General Carr having failed in Washington, it now seems to be the policy to annihilate him by such misstatements as this:

Gen Carr was not present at the outbreak of the Indian scouts; he was not within the range of their guns when they murdered Hentig, he never anticipated any show of insubordination on the part of his Indian soldiers, and his command was strung out in a straggling and indefensible line when the onset was made.

To the reader of the current literature of the late so-called campaign, comment is unnecessary.

A petition was circulated yesterday asking the secretary of war to establish a military post at Cloverdale springs, in the Animas valley, New Mexico, at a point about ten miles northeast from the junction of the states of Sonora and Chihuahua, Mexico, and the territories of Arizona and New Mexico. This point is on the direct route of the Indians who raid back and forth between Mexico and our country. This is a most desirable movement, and it is hoped that our business men and citizens who are interested in the rapid develop-

ment of the country will sign the petition. Remember that prosperity comes of security and peace.

At last evening's meeting of the city council, City Surveyor Kelleher gave the city fathers some wholesome advice on the question of sewerage which if followed will greatly lessen the cost of our sewers.

TELEGRAPHIC.

A Family-Stricken Boat's Crew.
TUCSON, Feb. 22.—A special to the Star, from Guaymas, says: Capt. Stonington, of the steamer Newbern, sighted an open boat off Las Ladras, on the Lower California coast. Approaching it, three men, a woman and two children were discovered in an emaciated and half-crazed condition. They proved to be the remnant of the crew of a British bark, the name of which could not be ascertained. They were dependent upon the elements for fifteen days, having neither food nor water. They had made up their minds to resort to cannibalism when the Newbern hove in sight. They were the captain, his wife, two children and two seamen. Almost immediately after boarding the Newbern one child and one of the seamen died. Next day the woman was delivered of a healthy child, though the mother was still insensible. They were treated kindly by the officers of the Newbern and the citizens of Guaymas. All are slowly recovering.

San Francisco, Feb. 23.—The Tucson dispatch of yesterday relative to the steamer Newbern picking up a famished boat's crew, is understood here to refer to a boat containing Captain McArthur, of the British ship Milton, his wife and children, with a number of seamen. The Milton was abandoned on fire last Christmas, in 3° north, 110° west. Three boats left the ship, one of which was picked up by the ship Cochina, which arrived here January 29. The mate's boat has not been heard of.

News from Guaymas.
TUCSON, Feb. 23.—A Star special, dated Guaymas, February 18, says: By the arrival of Mr. Hepburn from Pinos Altos, news was received from that part of the country to January 31. No Indian or cowboy depredations are reported. With Mr. Hepburn also came Mr. Conant from Jesus Maria, who reports mining in that region flourishing. Messrs. Hepburn and Conant brought thirty armed mules with them as a convoy to \$80,000 treasure from the Pinos Altos mine. Mr. H. will return with the same escort in a few days.

Railroad matters are booming, as the arrival of ships with rails and ties prevent any suspension. The turntable and side track at Carbo, the new station, were completed to-day. The town is full of troops, no one knows why.

Francisco Lamarque, an old resident of this place, had his house broken open and eleven thousand dollars taken. No clue to the robbers.

Quite a California spring shower fell here the night of the 14th. The oldest inhabitant was surprised.

Geo. Wood, superintendent of the Minas Prietas, came in the day before yesterday with some \$46,000 from that mine. Mr. Gibson, general manager of the Clarence King mines in this and adjoining states, is here also, and will go inland in a few days.

The Newbern brought fifteen Chinamen, who will work for the Pinos Altos company. On the trip down the old steamer Mr. Beales, either walked overboard or threw himself into the sea. The steamer also brings Captain McArthur of the ill-fated Milton, picked up at sea opposite Ecuador, a small point above Magdalena bay. The party consisted of the captain, his wife, one child, the first and second officers and three seamen. They had been some sixteen days without food or water. One of the captain's children and two sailors died at sea. One of the rescued party also died six hours after they got on board the steamer. The captain's wife gave birth to a child this morning on board the Newbern. They will return on her to San Francisco.

Work on the railroad is now going on some fifty-two miles from Hermosillo. As soon as they reach thirty miles this side of Magdalena regular trains will connect there with the Tucson stage.

Waifs from Washington.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Ex-Secretary Schurz arrived to-day. It is understood he is here to assist the Northern Pacific lobby in their efforts to squash the measures pending in congress for a forfeiture of its lap ed grants.

Dispatches indicate that Washington's birthday was generally observed throughout the country.

The house committee on naval affairs agreed to recommend the immediate appropriation of \$10,000,000 to begin the construction of a new navy.

The senate committee on naval affairs this morning voted to reject the nomination of Watmough to be paymaster general for the navy, and Stevenson to be pay director. Some days ago the committee agreed to an adverse report on Watmough, but held it back in order to give the president time to withdraw the nomination if he saw fit. Several members of the committee waited on him and advised him of this action. The committee waited until to-day, and not receiving any intimation from the president as to his purpose, adopted

an adverse report and ordered it to be presented to the senate. The nomination of Stevenson was then taken up, and the motion to report adversely adopted.

In the house Chalmers stated, in consequence of the overflow of the Mississippi, a thousand colored persons were starving, and introduced a bill for government aid to the sufferers. Referred.

Senator Bayard has offered a substitute for the bill to retire Grant, providing a pension for all ex-presidents equal annually to one-fourth of the amount of his annual pay while president.

It is rumored that a nomination for Supreme court judge will be made to-day or to-morrow, and it will be a New York man. It is said that the president had decided to nominate Senator Edmunds, but that the pressure from New York has been so great he cannot resist it.

Secretary Kirkwood has rendered a decision in El Sobrante case of California, limiting the grant to the lands lying between the ranches of San Antonio, San Pablo, Alcalaes and Laguna de los Palos Colorado, in the sense of being surrounded or partly surrounded by them. The survey is not to include any part of the ranches Laboca de la Canada.

The senate naval committee agreed to a favorable report on the nomination of Theodore Wilson, of New York, for chief of the bureau of naval construction.

The senate passed the Grant retirement bill by a vote of 40 against 17, and adjourned without debating what bills shall be next taken up, several motions in behalf of the immediate consideration of various measures, including one earnestly urged by Senator Miller, to take up the Chinese bill, being still pending.

The Utah Contest.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—The Mail and Express Washington special says: The house committee on elections will take a vote to-morrow on the disputed election case between Cannon and Campbell. The following points have been agreed upon: First, That minorities never can elect; second, that Campbell is not entitled to the seat; third, that Cannon, having received a majority of all the votes cast should be given the seat, unless disqualified by some constitutional objection; fourth, Cannon, admitting that he lives in polygamous relations, thus violates the laws, and not being a constitutional officer of the government, like a member of congress, but simply a delegate from a territory, holds his place at the will of congress; fifth, that the committee, intending to notify the citizens of Utah, in spite of the admitted citizenship of Cannon, that polygamy will not be recognized in the territories of the United States, report that he should be excluded from his seat in the house.

Senate Proceedings.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—In the Senate, Harris presented a memorial and report of the Memphis Cotton Exchange upon the danger to the river front of Memphis from the encroachments of the Mississippi.

George introduced a joint resolution authorizing the secretary of war to issue rations for the relief of the laboring classes in the district overflowed by the Mississippi. A telegram from Governor Lowrey, of Mississippi, was read, urging immediate relief, representing the destruction of property and stock immense, and starvation imminent.

Destitution in the South.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—There is more truth than supposed in regard to destitution in the south. Congressman Dunn, in accordance with numerous petitions, has introduced a bill asking aid. Bill referred.

The Flood Subsidizing.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 23.—The flood here is practically over. The damage will not be very great, as the people prepared for it.

Mormon Opposition.

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 22.—The Mormons continue greatly exercised over the situation and are doing all they can to prevent congressional legislation. The apostles and leading men hold meetings daily, and the legislature is devising numerous schemes to-day. A petition to congress is being signed in all parts of the territory, praying the national legislation to halt. Leading Mormons have gone to Washington. Whether they are authorized to make concessions in behalf of the church is not known.

Anti-Polygamy.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 22.—A large meeting to-night adopted strong resolutions calling upon Congress to eradicate polygamy.

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—A large anti-polygamy meeting to-night in Farwell hall, was addressed by Joseph Smith, son of the late prophet.

The Southern Floods.

MADISON, Ark., Feb. 22.—Mr. Jamison, wife and six children, living in the overflowed district, attempted to reach a place of safety, the skiff capsized and all were drowned.

MEMPHIS, Feb. 22.—Officers of the steamer Dean Adams report a break in the levee at Modesto, White, Bolivar county, Mississippi, which inundates a large area of country.

HOUSTON, Ark., Feb. 22.—The river is going slowly, but steadily, higher on the Mississippi.

Fire.

CHESTER, Pa., Feb. 23.—The works of the Seaboard Oil company were on fire; loss will probably reach \$100,000.

MILFORD, Mass., Feb. 23.—The manufactory of Eastbrook & Co. was burned this morning. Loss, \$30,000; insured for \$10,000. Just before the alarm of fire the safe was blown open by burglars, who se-

cured \$60,000 and decamped. It is believed the explosion caused the fire.

A Star Route Decision.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 23.—Judge Butler gave a decision for the government in five civil suits against sureties on the bonds of Willie, star route contractor.

California Wheat in St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 23.—Three cars of California wheat arrived this morning, being the first lot of 100,000 bushels recently purchased by millers of this city. The remainder is now in transit or ready to move, and will reach here as fast as it can be got over the roads.

A Texas Outrage.

RICK, Texas, Feb. 23.—J. W. Norris, postmaster and a leading merchant, was called out of his house night before last by two men, who asked him to go to his store and sell them goods. He went, but returned in a few minutes, told his wife the men had shot him, and died almost instantly.

Another Railroad.

DALLAS, Tex., Feb. 23.—A railway has been chartered to run from Laredo up the Rio Grande to Eagle Pass.

A Woman Murdered.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 23.—Mrs. Samuel Troy was shot and killed last evening by John Linton or Lintini, an Italian, at her late residence eight miles from Gait. Deceased was a sister to Linton's wife. Cause is supposed to be family troubles and drunkenness. So far Linton has not been found.

The Value of a Horse.

CHICAGO, Feb. 23.—During a race at the Chicago Driving Park last June, the jockey who was riding the mare Belle of Nelson, either by negligence or design, ran against the stallion Wolverton, the result being that the latter was thrown and killed. Suit was brought for the value of the horse, which was placed at \$10,000, and after a trial of two days, the jury yesterday returned a verdict for the plaintiff for \$4500.

The Arctic Search.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 23.—Lieut. Harber and Master Schutz, United States navy, left to-day for Irkutsk via Orenburg. They will proceed down the river Lena in a steamer and along the coast to the east in search of the Jeannette's third boat. Lieut. Danenhauer starts from Irkutsk for St. Petersburg in a few days.

Egyptian Troops Defeated.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—The Herald's Cairo special says: Elmeid, the new messiah of Islam, has defeated the Egyptian troops in several engagements and is master of Soudan.

The Irrepressible Bradlaugh.

LONDON, Feb. 22.—Bradlaugh will proceed immediately to Northampton to enter the contest for the seat made vacant by his expulsion to-day.

LOCAL PERSONALS.

J. STUMPF, who came in from Winchester, yesterday, brings a confirmation of the former good news from that district.

JNO. A. FAUL, a leading merchant of San Francisco, arrived in the city yesterday, and is registered at the Cosmopolitan.

MR. J. B. GALLAND, the Pacific coast jeweler, of San Francisco, arrived in the city yesterday, and is stopping at the Cosmopolitan.

BEN WILLIAMS passed through town on Wednesday, on his way from Tucson to Bisbee. He says the copper camp is as good as over.

MR. A. MYER, of St. Louis, who represents the Budweiser beer manufacturers, arrived in town Wednesday, and can be found at the Cosmopolitan.

CAPT. W. H. SEAMANS is home again from his two weeks' visit to the ancient and honorable—Tucson. He says court will convene on Monday next.

GEORGE HEARST, Esq., left yesterday in company with J. H. Jackson and A. H. Stephens, Esq., for Victoria, New Mexico. Mr. Hearst goes thence direct to San Francisco, to be absent three weeks.

MR. R. J. PRYKE, who left Tombstone, some two months ago, for the Arkansas Hot Springs, for his health, has so far recovered that he has left there for New Orleans, where he will spend a few weeks before returning home.

MR. J. A. WATMOUGH, editor of the daily Citizen, Tucson, arrived on the 23d instant and is doing the mines of Tombstone. Mr. Whitmore is a live newspaper man, and we shall look for a good account of our resources from his fertile pen.

Total Wreck.

It is seldom that we ever get an item from this most promising mine. From the uncontradictory statements that we reach us from time to time, there is no room to doubt that the Total Wreck mine is second only to the banana mines of Tombstone, and bids fair to rank with the same extent. Unlike the mines of other localities that are constantly paraded before the public as second Comstockes, there are no contradictory reports as to the size and richness of this, therefore we feel perfectly safe in the remarks above made. The hoisting works are now complete, and we expect to hear of rapid and rich developments for the future. The company has its sinking pump in the well, which is 38 feet deep, and will now push it down 20 feet further, when they expect to have an abundant water supply for the hoisting works and mill. Work grading for the foundation of the mill will commence in about two weeks.

The New York company is working thirty men on their mine, distant about thirty miles from the Total Wreck. Some other work is being done in the above is the most important.

The government has taken a lease of the postoffice, Mr. Chalmers has needed improvement in the window for gentlemen to-day.

MASONIC BALL.

A Most Successful Social Event.

The 23d of February is a day that will long be remembered by the society people of Tombstone, it being celebrated by the members of Solomonic Lodge, F. and A. M. by a ball which has never been excelled in this city, either in point of numbers or the select character of those participating. Besides, it proved a financial as well as a social success, due as much to the gentlemen who had its management as to that noble order which never does anything by halves. Schiedlin Hall was elegantly and tastefully decorated for the occasion, reflecting much credit upon those who designed and executed the work. The floor was well waxed, and was all that could be desired by those who delight in tripping the "light fantastic" and that they did so is testified by the universal encomiums bestowed by all who were so fortunate as to be present. The music was excellent, and the supper was all that could be desired, the fact that it was prepared by the proprietors of the Maison Doree being a sufficient guarantee of that fact. Among those present were the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walker, Mr. and Mrs. H. Solomon, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Durkee, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Barron, Mr. and Mrs. McQuirk, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hedin, Mr. and Mrs. John Lang, Mr. and Mrs. Z. H. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Goodrich, Mr. and Mrs. Heitzelman, Mr. and Mrs. Chas Bartholomew, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Maxson, Mr. and Mrs. Myers, Mr. and Mrs. D. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Hays, Mr. and Mrs. H. Kaver, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Voland, Mr. and Mrs. B. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Chas Glover, Mr. and Mrs. A. Voss, Mr. and Mrs. A. Trobridge, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Collier, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Colby, Mr. and Mrs. Judge Dibble, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Lowrey, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. D. Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs. McCormick, Misses Hartmann, McHenry, Fonck, Mugar, Burdick, Stewart, Baker, Wallace, Mrs. Briggs Goodrich and many other ladies. Among the gentlemen present were Messrs Geo. Harst, W. H. Sovonick, Massey, Immel, Sanders, Shannassery, Mark, LaBree, Guther, Elliswood, Halstead, McRae, McCarthy, Cohen, Grogan, Lyons, Broad, Earle, Aliman, Lavalent, Sweeney, Bedford, John Lewis, Holingsworth, Reag, Lippert, Johnson, Vickers, Hartmann, Cresswell, Ward, Magli, Lord, Rice, Goodale, Gratton, Joyce, Hoeder, Zander, Trull, Stuart, Brown, Burt, Pope, Allison, Johnson, Richards, Phillips, Bohan, Leonard, Campbell, Conwell, Kirk, and Price. From Huachuca were Mr. and Mrs. Burton, Lieut. Mills and Lieut. Alshire; from Tucson, J. A. Whitmore, Mrs. Draughtman and others.

COUNTY AFFAIRS.

Proceedings of Board of Supervisors.

TOMBSTONE, Feb. 23, 1882.

Board met at 10 o'clock a. m. Present: Chairman Joyce, Supervisor Tasker, and Richard Rule, clerk.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved.

Upon motion board adjourned until 2 p. m.

The board met at 2 p. m.

Present—Chairman Joyce and Supervisor Tasker.

Upon motion of Supervisor Tasker the following bills were allowed and warrants ordered drawn for the same:

	Am't bill.	Allowed.
G. R. Williams.....	\$104.00	\$98.00
P. W. Dyer.....	130.00	99.00
E. P. Glover.....	25.00	25.00
George Priddy.....	147.00	147.00
L. Larrin.....	12.50	12.50
H. F. Price.....	3.00	3.00
L. O. Smith.....	51.00	51.00
A. Ayad.....	10.00	10.00
W. H. Seamans.....	83.00	33.00
Chas. Glover.....	27.00	27.00
A. J. Ritter.....	50.00	50.00
R. M. Price, Jr.....	10.00	10.00

Upon motion of Supervisor Tasker, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, An action has been commenced by the Southern Pacific Railroad company against John H. Behan, sheriff and ex-officio assessor and tax collector of the county of Cochise, territory of Arizona, to restrain the collection of the territorial and county taxes levied upon the property of said railroad company in said county for the year 1881, and

Whereas, The county of Cochise is the real party in interest in said action;

Resolved, That Lytleton Price, district attorney, be, and he is, hereby authorized and instructed to appear and defend said action in behalf of said county of Cochise.

Resolved, That Messrs. Lewis & Berry, attorneys at law, be, and they are, hereby retained and employed to assist the district attorney, and act as counsel in the action now pending of the Southern Pacific Railroad company against J. H. Behan, sheriff and ex-officio tax collector and assessor, to enjoin the collection of the territorial and county tax assessed against the property of said railroad company in Cochise county for the year 1881, according to the terms of the contract entered into by said Lewis & Berry with the county of Cochise.

Upon motion board adjourned 10 a. m. Friday, February 24.

RICHARD RULE, Clerk.

Board Supervisors.

Proceedings of the Common Council.

The common council was called to order at 7 o'clock p. m., by Mayor Carr. Present: Councilmen Atchison, Thomas, Nash and Dean; B. C. Quigley, clerk.

Mr. Thomas, from the committee appointed to inquire into the condition of Fourth street, and to report as to the best manner in which it could be repaired, reported that the committee recommended that the council should build a culvert across the gulch and otherwise remedy the evil.

The committee on the bad condition of the jail reported by their chairman that they were waiting on the fire department in reference to a certain building before taking action as to the city prison.

On motion, the bond and contract, as read, of the Epitaph Printing and Publishing Co., to do the city printing, were approved.

A resolution was adopted authorizing the mayor to procure a sign for the office of city clerk.

A petition was received from R. M. Price asking to be appointed city surveyor. Laid on the table. Also an application from the chief of police asking for an increase of \$50 per month on his salary. Laid over until next meeting.

Mr. Neagle requested that he be allowed to withdraw his petition. Denied.

On motion the committee on streets were instructed to procure bids to build a culvert on Fourth street between Bruce and Fulton streets.

The city attorney was instructed to

amend the ordinances relating the licenses of shooting galleries and bowling alleys from \$15 to \$10 each.

A committee, consisting of Nash, Atchison and Dean, was appointed to regulate the licenses of the city.

After a lengthy discussion on the sewerage, a committee composed of Atchison, Carr and Nash, was appointed, who should confer with the city engineer on that subject.

Adjourned.

LOCAL SPLINTERS.

THE regular monthly examinations in the public schools are being held this week.

NEARLY five hundred cases have already been entered in the District court of Cochise county.

WORK laying the Huachuca Water company's pipe is in progress from the reservoir toward Charleston.

THE Huachuca very forcibly remind one of the boreal regions of the Arctic, wrapped as they are in their heavy mantle of snow.

MESSRS. Simmons, Fall and Galland arrived from Cumpas, Sonora, last evening. They were four days on the road, which was a remarkably quick passage.

EXTENSIVE improvements are in progress at the Boston mill. An excavation is being made in the rear of the wing on the upper side of the mill where a large addition is to be erected.

THE connection of trains at Benson for the last two or three days has been complete, and in consequence our mails have arrived on time, for all of which the people are duly thankful.

THE Girard company are preparing the foundation for their two 50,000-gallon water tanks on top of the hill above the mill. The prepared lumber is all on the ground ready for putting up the tanks as soon as the foundation is completed.

THE bulion shipment Wednesday, by Wells, Fargo & Co's express for the Tombstone M. & C. Co., was three bars weighing 626 pounds and valued at \$838. To-day the shipment will be three bars having a total valuation of \$878 and weighing 636 pounds.

THE Vixen Consolidated Mining company declared a dividend of 10 cents per share, amounting to \$20,000, on the 16th inst., payable at the company's office, No. 30 Pine street, New York, on March 1st. This is the sixth dividend, and makes the aggregate, to date, \$120,000. This is a good record for a mine that never had an assessment levied upon its stock.

THE reception of the National Irish Land League, on the night of the 22d was a perfect success. The hall was well filled, the music excellent, and dancing continued till 3 o'clock in the morning. Redpath branch has raised and forwarded over \$1700 to the parent society within the last seven months. This is a most creditable showing for the sons and daughters of the evergreen isle who reside in this frontier town of the Far West.

MESSRS. Geo. T. Russell and J. W. Munson, of this city, contemplate starting an ostrich ranch either in the Sulphur Spring or San Simon valley, the coming summer. A stock of birds will be imported direct from South Africa, which climate is said to resemble that of Arizona very closely. It is said that all that is wanted in the way of food is plenty of grass and gravel, both of which abound in those valleys.

A BOX of fine cigars made its appearance in the EPITAPH office on the birthday of the "Father of his Country" bearing the inscription, "Compliments of J. O. Smith, to the EPITAPH office." The boys all voted this the right kind of compliments, and all joined in smoking to the success of Mr. Smith, who has just opened a book, stationery and news depot in Sanford's new block, on Fifth street, near the corner of Fremont. The EPITAPH wishes Mr. Smith the most ample success in his new enterprise.

CORONER Matthews held an inquest on the bodies of John R. Gibbon and Malvina Lopez, at Contention, Tuesday last. This was the unhappy pair who climbed the golden stair on the fumes of a pan of charcoal Monday night. From the burned pants and the position of the unfortunate John, it would seem that he tried to repeat the rash act, but was too far gone to get to the door and open it, so he crawled back to the bed where his body was found prone across the corpse of Malvina. Now that life's fitful dream is over, it is to be hoped they sleep well.

AN EPITAPH reporter saw some beautiful specimens of plaque painting yesterday at the store of P. W. Smith &